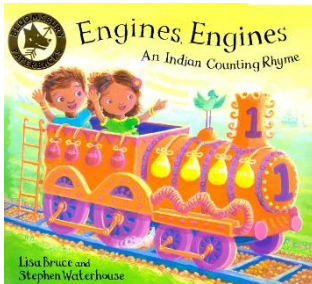


Friday 10th November 2023

Dear parents and carers,

We have been continuing our topic on celebrations in nursery this week. The children have been learning all about Diwali and Remembrance Day and how they are both very special days for many families all over the world. To support this learning we have provided many interactive activities for the children to have a go at, including;

- Making Diyas using Salt dough and then decorating them with paint, sequins and glitter.
- Creating mehndi patterns on paper hands.
- Forming rangoli patterns in coloured sand and glitter.
- Making rangoli patterns on playdough using buttons.
- Beautiful Indian clothes and bangals for the children to wear.
- Making poppy biscuits to remember the soldiers.
- Making and drawing poppies.
- Trying hard to stay quiet for 2 minutes using a sand timer to help us. To honour the soldiers on Remembrance Day.



We read the story 'Engines, Engines' which is a fun number story about a train which travels through India and all of the things they see along the way. We spoke about India and looked on a globe to see where it is in the world. The children were fascinated that it is 4,688 miles away and enjoyed sharing their ideas of how we could get there.

We will be learning all about Owls for the next 2 weeks and continuing our topic of celebrations by celebrating wise owls birthday! The children will be baking cake, which they will eat at wise owls birthday party on Friday. The ingredients of the cake are flour, sugar, butter, eggs and milk. Please let us know if your child should not eat the cake during the party.

You can help your child to continue their learning at home by:

- Practicing to write the first letter of their name with them at home.
- Reading to them daily and encouraging them to talk about the story by asking them questions about it.
- Pointing out numbers 1, 2 and 3 when you see them, can they show you 2 fingers, or get you 3 toys?
- Pointing out and labelling simple shapes (Circles, triangles, squares) when you see them at home and when you are out and about.
- Trying some Indian food together.

Please feel free to share any news or photos from home of your child engaging in home learning via our class email account aconclass@harefieldinfant.com

Your child visited the library on Wednesday and should have brought a library book home with them. Please return this book next Wednesday so that your child can choose a new one.

Don't forget that its children in need on Friday 17th November. Your child can come into nursery wearing something spotty ready to go on a Pudsey hunt around the school.

Many thanks

Mrs Halligan

Nursery Manager

